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## REMARKS

Claims 1-10 are pending.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for noting the required corrections to the drawings, the specification and the claims.

The drawings have been amended as required by the Examiner.

The specification also has been amended as required by the Examiner.

The claims have been amended to correct the informalities and to provide proper antecedent basis for the various claim limitations. In view of the amendments, applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the objections and the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, par. 2.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating that claims 1-10 include allowable subject matter. In view of the foregoing amendments, applicant submits that all claims are now in condition for allowance.

## Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance

The Applicant submits the following comments concerning the Examiner's Reasons for Allowance at pages 4-6 of the Office action. It is the subject matter of each claim as a whole that is patentable, not any particular feature recited in the claim(s). The Applicant does not concede that the reasons for allowance given by the Examiner are the only reasons that make the claims allowable and does not make any admission or concession concerning the Examiner's statement.

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